

TERRITORY OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGAÑA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 87-9

DECLARING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING USE OF OUTSTANDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE

WHEREAS, Section 6113 of the Government Code, as amended by Public Law 15-744, authorizes the Governor to use any part not exceeding Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) of outstanding appropriations within the General Fund for expenses caused by civil defense, public safety or health emergencies; and

WHEREAS, most of the many vital services rendered by the Department, of Public health and Social Services are delivered from the main facility located in Mangilao, where 325 employees serve daily an estimated 500 clients and patients; and

WHEREAS, the building housing the Mangilao Public Health and Welfare facility has no windows because it was constructed to be used also as a typhoon and fallout shelter; thus, it is totally dependent on air-conditioning for adequate cooling and fresh air for its occupants; and

WHEREAS, the air conditioning system has broken down and been repaired many times since the facility was built in 1973, recently becoming inoperative twice in a two-week period, due to wornout compressors, which now must be replaced; and

WHEREAS, the lack of clean, fresh air at the Mangilao facility has resulted in an increased incidence of health complaints such as headaches, dizziness, respiratory problems and allergy-related ailments among persons working in the facility, resulting in time-loss and reduced productivity by the staff; and



WHEREAS, there are many clients and patients using the Mangilao facility whose health conditions are being aggravated by the lack of clean, fresh air and high interior temperatures and humidity, which may also increase the danger of disease transmission among clients or patients and staff; and

WHEREAS, the situation at the Mangilao facility is causing disruption of the delivery of critically needed government services for the people of Guam;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK F. BLAS, Acting Governor of Guam, by the authority vested in me by the Organic Act and the laws of Guam, do hereby declare that a public health emergency exists, and do hereby order as follows:

1. The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services
FY '87
is authorized to reprogram and spend from outstanding FY '86 appropriations an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS (\$100,000,00) as necessary to make an immediate purchase of the compressors or other parts needed to repair the airconditioning system at the Mangilao facility.

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- The Bureau of Budget and Management Research, and all other departments and agencies of the Executive Branch shall provide such assistance as is needed by the Department of Public Health and Social Services, so that it may proceed in this crucial matter without delay.
- 3. The authorization for the certification, approval and expenditure of funds under paragraph 1 above shall be this Executive Order No. 87-9 .

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Agana, Guam this 23rd day of FEBRUARY, 1987.

FRANK F. BLAS

Acting Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

Acting Lieutenant Governor of Guam